



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

## Division of Animal Health

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### **Show Animal Sales Following the ‘Safer at Home’ Order**

At the direction of Gov. Tony Evers, the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) on March 24 issued an emergency order closing all nonessential businesses and operations. The [Safer at Home order](#) has prompted some questions about what types of businesses are considered “essential.”

Among the questions: **Are show pig sales, or other sales of animals intended for show, considered “essential” under the Safer at Home order?**

No. While the emergency order did not list show animal sales, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) has indicated that they are considered nonessential services. For more information, please visit the WEDC website at <https://wedc.org/essentialbusiness/>. The site includes a form for anyone who has additional questions about their business’ designation.

This will not alter the Division of Animal Health’s activities regarding importation of animals, or the requirements outlined in [ATCP 10](#).

The Safer at Home order is in effect until 8 a.m. on Friday, April 24 or until a superseding order is issued.



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